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**TWO MEN INDICTED FOR POSSESSION OF CHILD PORNOGRAPHY**

FRESNO—United States Attorney McGregor W. Scott announced today that a two-count indictment was returned by a federal grand jury sitting in Fresno, California, that charges two men with possession of material involving the sexual exploitation of minors.

The indictment was returned against TED SNYDER, 57, and JARED PEREIRA, 28, both of Hanford, California. Both men are named in the two counts that charge them with possession of material involving the sexual exploitation of minors in the form of books, magazines, and other printed matter, including material obtained by use of the Internet.

The case was the result of an investigation by the United States Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) office in Fresno, California, along with the Fresno County Sheriff's Department, Computer Crimes Investigation Unit working in conjunction with the Kings County Sheriff's Department.

Each defendant faces a maximum of ten years in custody, and up to a \$250,000 fine if convicted. Both defendants are currently in the Kings County Jail in Hanford, California, where they are facing state charges related to the alleged sexual abuse of a minor.

The case is being prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney David L. Gappa

The charges are only allegations and the defendants are presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt.

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